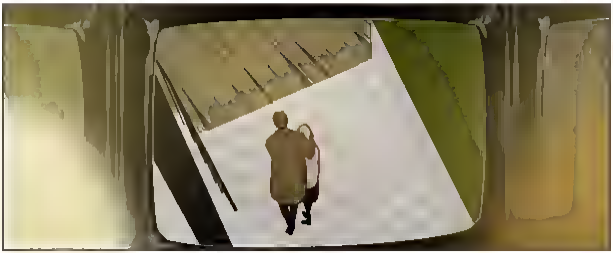
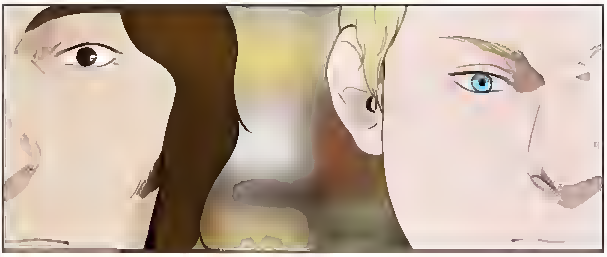
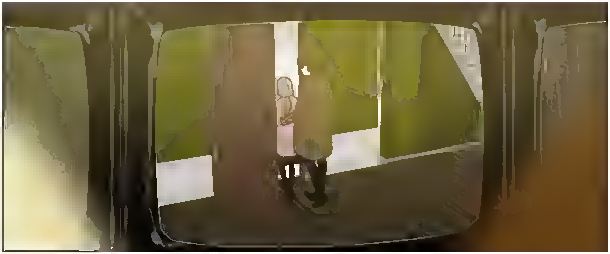
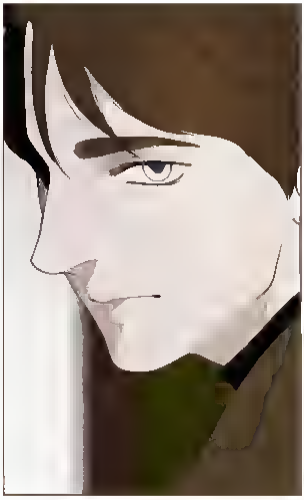
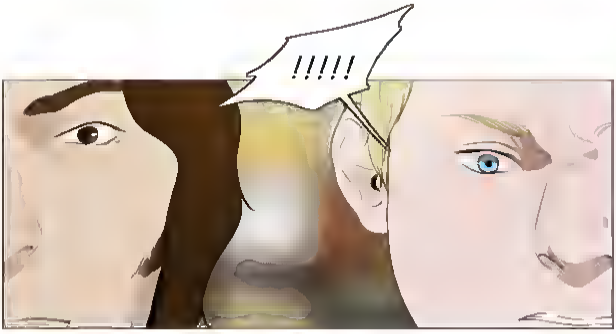
ADORA!!
I HAVEN'T SEEN
THAT MAN BEFORE!
STARE=







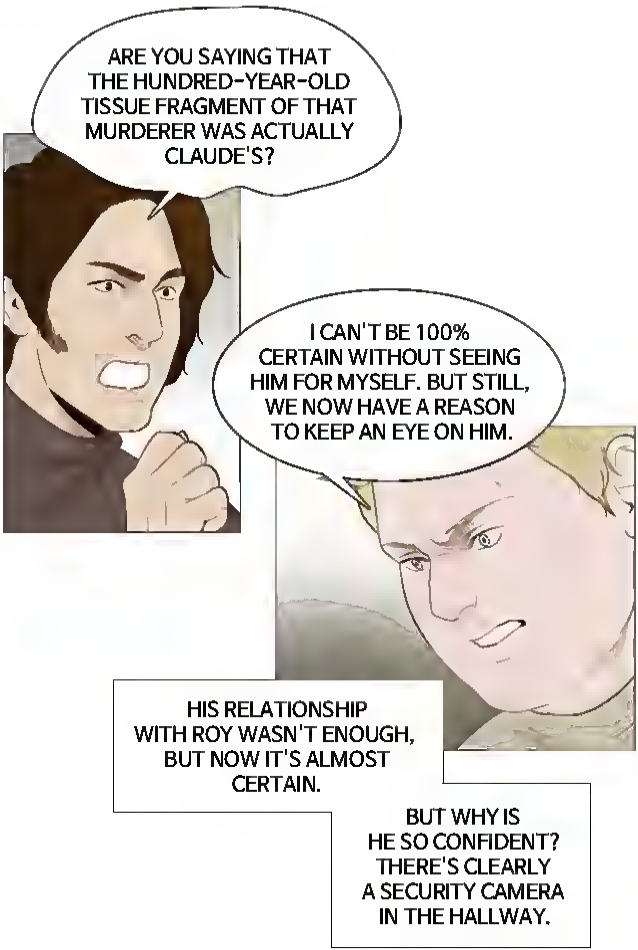


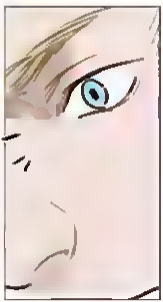


JUMP
I KNEW
I WAS RIGHT.
WE HAVE TO CATCH
HIM RIGHT NOW!
WAIT, WAIT, WAIT.
THAT SEEMS TOO RASH!
WE HAVEN'T SEEN
CLAUDE GOING
OUTSIDE!
HE COULD BE
A FRIEND...

HAVE YOU EVER SEEN A MAN LIKE THAT GOING IN AND OUT OF CLAUDE'S PLACE SINCE WE'VE BEEN HERE?
IT'S HIM. THE FACT THAT HE HAS A SIMILAR BUILD TO CLAUDE MEANS THERE'S A GOOD CHANCE THAT IT'S THE SAME PERSON.
T-THEN...!!

A HIRED MURDERER KILLED THEM AS THEY WANTED, AND THEN SET THE PLACE ON FIRE LIKE A FUNERAL.
BUT AT THE SCENE OF THE MURDER...
WE DISCOVERED TRACES OF BLOOD ON A TISSUE FRAGMENT WHICH WAS SUSPECTED OF BELONGING TO THE MURDERER.


ARE YOU SAYING THAT THE HUNDRED-YEAR-OLD TISSUE FRAGMENT OF THAT MURDERER WAS ACTUALLY CLAUDE'S?
I CAN'T BE 100% CERTAIN WITHOUT SEEING HIM FOR MYSELF. BUT STILL, WE NOW HAVE A REASON TO KEEP AN EYE ON HIM.
HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH ROY WASN'T ENOUGH, BUT NOW IT'S ALMOST CERTAIN.
BUT WHY IS HE SO CONFIDENT? THERE'S CLEARLY A SECURITY CAMERA IN THE HALLWAY.



SMITH.
DOESN'T THIS VIDEO FEED GET SENT TO HUBERT'S LAB?
Y-YEAH.
BUT WHY HASN'T HE CALLED US?

HE MUST HAVE SEEN THE VIDEO...

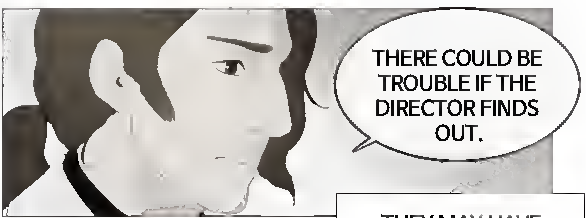
CLAUDE!
WHAT ARE YOU THINKING?!
ONLY YOU AND I ARE SUPPOSED TO KNOW ABOUT THIS!

IT'S BEEN SEVERAL HOURS SINCE CLAUDE ENTERED THE HOME OF A WOMAN NAMED ADORA.

THEY HAVEN'T COME OUT OF THE HOUSE, AND I HAVEN'T HEARD FROM SMITH AND LARRY.

I SENSE A SLIGHT TENSION.
I'M NOT SURE WHAT I SHOULD DO.

SMITH AND LARRY...

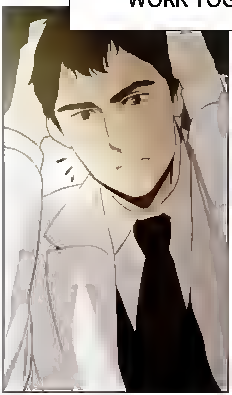


THEY MAY HAVE HELPED ME BEFORE, BUT I CAN'T TRUST THEM.

I HAVE SEEN THEM WAVER WHILE WORKING CLOSELY WITH WINTER, BUT THEY SUPPORTED PROJECT EL-01 AS WELL.

THEY ONLY THOUGHT OF WINTER AS A TEST SUBJECT.

AS LONG AS I DON'T GET A DEFINITE ANSWER FROM THEM, WE CAN'T WORK TOGETHER.



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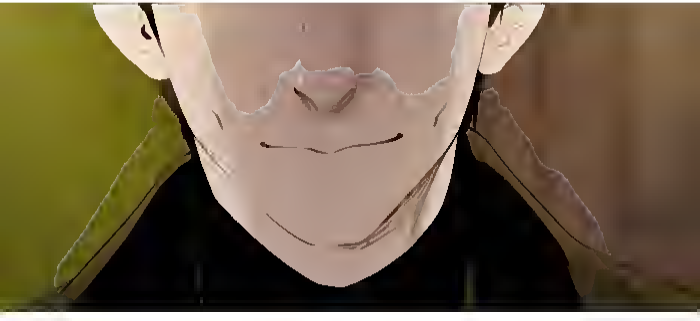
CLICK
CLICK

THAT'S SMITH AND LARRY'S PLACE

IS HE PLANNING ON JUST GIVING AWAY HIS IDENTITY!?

KNOCK
KNOCK



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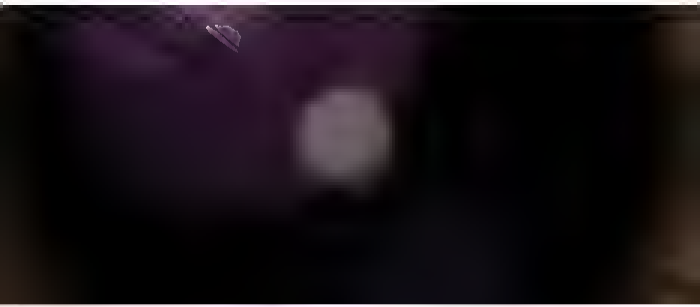
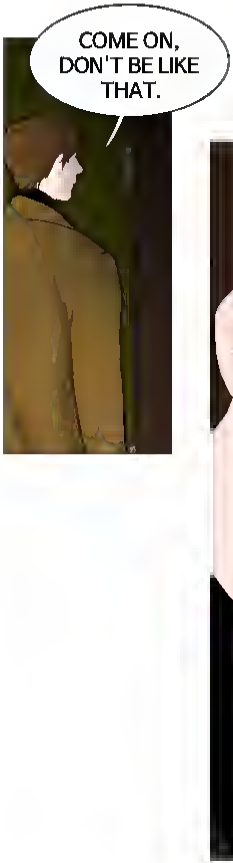


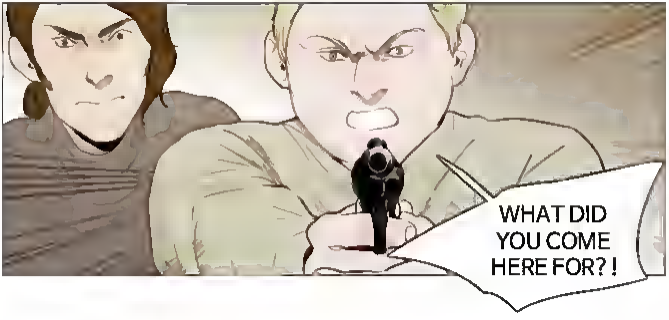
WHO-
WHO IS IT?

IT'S ME.
CLAUDE.

I HAVE SOMETHING TO TELL YOU

WE'RE BUSY RIGHT NOW. C-COME BACK LATER!


COME ON, DON'T BE LIKE THAT.
YOU KNOW EVERYTHING.


WHAT DID YOU COME HERE FOR?!

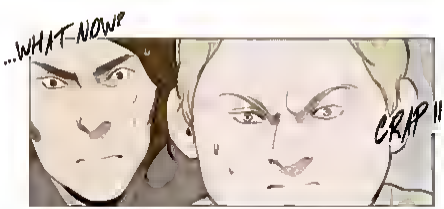
I JUST WANTED TO CLEAR UP THIS SITUATION

GULP

CHATTER
CHATTER

DUDE YOU'RE A DRUNK! STOP DRINKING, ALREADY!
DRUNK? DRUUNK? RUNK? UNK? WHAT'S A DRUNK?
WASTED
A DWUNK IS A DWUNK, DUUUDE~~~ YOU HAVE TO GO TO BED AS SOON AS WE GET HOME! DON'T BOTHER ME!
I'M NOT GOING TO SLEEP!~ I'M GOING TO STAY WIGHT NEXT TO YOU!

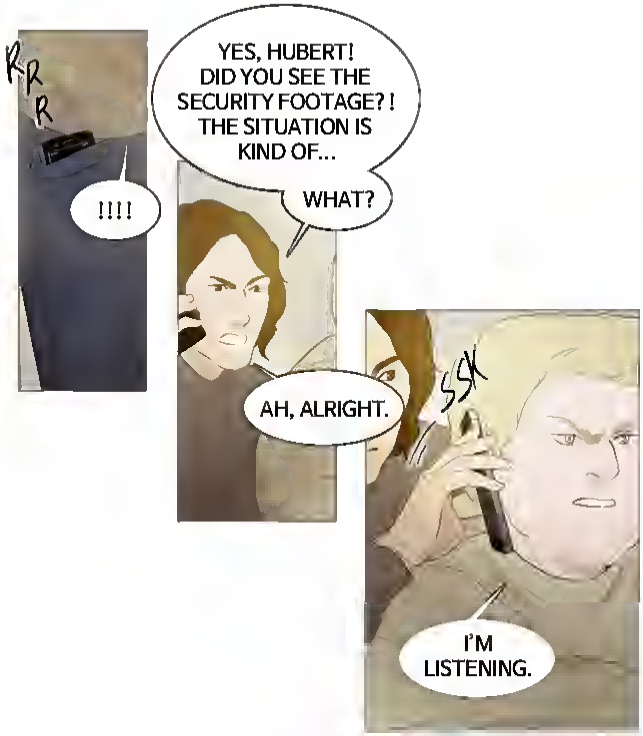
JANE AND WINTER ARE COMING UP THE STAIRS. DO YOU WANT ME TO KEEP STANDING HERE LIKE THIS?


...WHAT-NOW?
CRAP!!

CLICK

COME IN.

ARE YOU TURNING YOURSELF IN?
OF COURSE NOT.


RRR
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YES, HUBERT! DID YOU SEE THE SECURITY FOOTAGE?! THE SITUATION IS KIND OF...
WHAT?
AH, ALRIGHT.
SSK
I'M LISTENING.

LARRY,
IF YOU'RE ALREADY
CONFRONTING CLAUDE,
JUST CALM DOWN.
CLAUDE IS
THE SAME KIND OF
BEING AS WINTER.

I HAD ASKED HIM, BELIEVING THAT HE'D KNOW THE BEST ABOUT THE CHILD THAN ANYONE ELSE,

TO HELP ME.

I STILL HAVEN'T GOTTEN A DEFINITE ANSWER. BUT JUDGING FROM HIS CURRENT BEHAVIOR, IT LOOKS LIKE HE HAS DECIDED TO HELP WINTER GET OUT OF HERE.

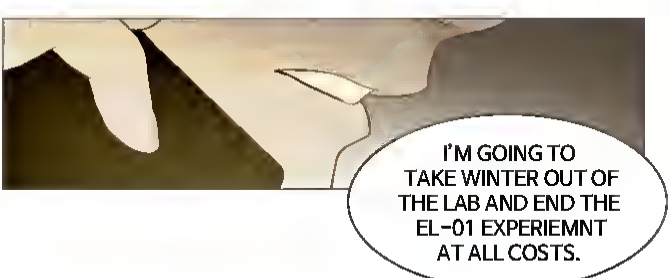
AND IF THAT'S SO, I INTEND ON WORKING WITH HIM.

ARE YOU INSANE?!
I KNOW YOU THINK THIS IS ALL FOR WINTER'S OWN GOOD, BUT STILL!

HE'S THE MURDERER WHO HAS BEEN KILLING PEOPLE FOR DECADES!
HE HAS TO PAY FOR HIS CRIMES!
I'M NOT A RESEARCHER! I DON'T CARE IF HE'S THE SAME TYPE OF BEING OR WHATEVER.

I DON'T FEEL RIGHT ABOUT OBSERVING WINTER LIKE SOME KIND OF ANIMAL ON A DOCUMENTARY FILM FOR SOME EXPERIMENT EITHER!
AND I ESPECIALLY DON'T LIKE THE IDEA OF WORKING WITH A MURDERER...!

I AGREE WITH YOU, LARRY.
IT'S NOT RIGHT.


I'M GOING TO TAKE WINTER OUT OF THE LAB AND END THE EL-01 EXPERIEMNT AT ALL COSTS.

AFTER THIS IS ALL OVER-

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